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## **Sen. Allen provides Capitol restoration documentary to local libraries**

**LANSING** – In honor of Michigan History Month, state Sen. Jason Allen, R-Traverse City, announced today that copies of a DVD documenting the restoration of the Michigan Capitol building will be sent to every public library in the 37th Senate District this week.

The approximately half-hour documentary chronicles the award-winning restoration of the historic building. Begun in 1989, the renovations were successfully completed in 1992 and won the nation's highest preservation award from the National Trust for Historic Preservation.

"Students all across Michigan are learning about our state's rich history this month," Allen said. "I'm glad to provide this glimpse into the history of our Capitol, so that students and residents across northern Michigan can learn about the amazing restoration of their state Capitol."

Dedicated in 1879 and designed by renowned architect Elijah Meyers, Michigan's third Capitol building has become one of the nation's most important historic structures. The building was designated as a National Historic Landmark by the National Park Service in 1992.

"I encourage everyone to visit their local public library and check out this behind the scenes look into the history and restoration of our great state Capitol," Allen said.

Residents of the 37th Senate District interested in scheduling a Capitol tour may contact Allen's office toll free at 1-866-525-5637 or by e-mail at [senjallen@senate.michigan.gov](mailto:senjallen@senate.michigan.gov).

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